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Old Guard Corps performs for opening

By Sgt. David Lomax

300th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

The past came alive for military personnel, Boy Scouts and other attendees at the 2001 National Scout Jamboree, as members of the 3rd U.S. Infantry Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps stationed at Fort Myers, Va., performed for an enthusiastic crowd.

Although the weather was hot, the performance was even hotter as the members wowed the crowd with their historic uniforms, musicianship and precision drill maneuvers.

"The mission of the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps is to preserve Army history and tradition," said Staff Sgt. Russell Smith, drum major and noncommissioned officerin-charge.

The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps wear replicas of late 18th century uniforms of the Continental Army. The unit is divided into two corps units that wear red or blue uniform blouses.

"The purpose of the two colors was to assist the commanders of Continental Army in identifying their soldiers during battles with British soldiers," said Smith.

Through our performances we hope to make an impact on the people that see us, he said.

"We want Boy Scouts and others who watch us here to enjoy the discipline pageantry and precision, but also see the preservation of our rich Army heritage," said Smith.

In order for a soldier to become a member of the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps he or she must have prior musical training, pass an audition, join the Army and complete basic training.

There is a three-year commitment, however, you can remain a member until retirement, said Smith. "I have spent all of my seven years in the Army in this unit and I love it," he said.

"I first learned of the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps from a fellow musician while performing with a bagpipe band prior to joining the Army," said Staff Sgt. Alex Kuldell, a snare drummer for the corps.

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Photo by Sgt. David Lomax

Staff Sgt. Russell Smith, Drum Major, 3rd U.S. Infantry Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps puts the performers through their paces at the 2001 National Scout Jamboree.

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USPHS provides services to Scouts

By Spc. Todd Edwards

372nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

In addition to the many military assets supporting the National Scout Jamboree, there is also other government employees wearing Navy battle dress uniforms and wearing officer ranks. They are the members of the United States Public Health Service.

Their mission here is to provide medical care for Scouts, perform a preventative medicine function, monitor eating facilities, collect and analyze ticks and distribute the Public Health Merit Badge to deserving Scouts.

The badge qualification will be a combination of lectures and practical exercises that will be coordinated with the Environmental Protection Agency, said USPHS Capt. Eugene Herman.

The USPHS falls under the command of the Surgeon General, and the officers wear Navy ranks, said Herman.

Preparations also include planning for natural disasters, after which an emergency treatment facility would be established, said Herman. Integral in that scheme is the Disaster Medical Assistance Team, a group of people of various backgrounds, from physicians to communications technicians.

Vital to the proper coordination of the DMAT is the communications section. Knowing where to deploy, what risks will be encountered and what the situation is at the site of the disaster are all detected by the eyes and ears of the DMAT.

"The most challenging thing about getting the communications going is organizing the antennas," said Lt. Cmdr. Kellie Clelland.

Communication is accomplished by several means. One is a high frequency antenna, which can offer worldwide radio transmission by bouncing the signal off a layer of charged gasses called the ionosphere, said Edmond "Lizard" Rosen, an emergency medical technician and communications specialist.

The other method is an ultra high frequency antenna atop a telescoping tower that offers access to local frequencies and communications, he said.

The members of the team are activated once a year for two



Photo by Spc. Todd Edwards

Edmond "Lizard" Rosen, an EMT and Communications Technician for the US Public Health Service, extends the antenna atop a UHF tower to maintain communications for the Public Health Emergency Assistance Team here.

weeks to train and practice exercises such as the support of the jamboree, said Clelland.

"This is good practice with the team," Clelland said.

Although the members of the team are civilian employees of the USPHS, they are similar to reservists in other services due to the fact they are available to be called away from their homes to respond to a disaster.

"In August we are on call for hurricanes on the East Coast," Clelland said.

With these assets in place, the members of the USPHS, and the DMAT are present each day of the jamboree, augmenting the ability of the military support personnel and providing further safety for the Scouts enjoying the facilities here.

Safety Thoughts

- You can live with seat belts.
- Safety is getting things done through people.
- The ABC's of Safety: Always Be Careful!

- The best safety device is a careful worker.
- Help create an accident shortage.
- · A brief accident may last forever.

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Guardsmen teach home improvement to Scouts

By Staff Sgt. Pat Johnston 319th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

A visit to the air-conditioned tents of the 203rd Red Horse Flight Utilities Plumbing Section's tents at the entrance to Merit Badge Midway will not only dispel the withering heat of July's 2001 National Scout Jamboree, it may help those Scouts pay back some of their expenses of attending this year's jamboree.

"The simple act of fixing a leaking faucet saves water consumption, so there's the water bill cut. It saves on calling a plumber, in which as soon as they walk in your door, it's \$45 bucks," said Staff Sgt. Thomas L. Austin of the 203rd.

Austin, accompanied by five fellow Virginia Air National Guardsman, are members of a worldwide rapid engineer deployment force which has seen action most recently in Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Korea.

"We're a heavy-engineer unit for the Air Force. We can deploy anywhere in the world and create an airfield out of nothing," said a smiling Austin. This week they have deployed 142 miles to create teenage plumbers out of badge-questing Boy Scouts.

Two green tents are connected by duct connections to a large air conditioner. Scouts will enter the first tent where they'll sit on comfortable seats in a classroom setting.

"I'm teaching the classroom portion of the plumber merit badge," declared Staff Sgt. Bill Graham from Powhaton, Va.

The four blocks of instruction include identifying pipes, tools, basic plumbing code information and drawing up a house plan. The biggest challenge admits Graham is teaching the Scouts how piping runs into a house, supplying hot and cold water to faucets, water heaters, commodes, etc. Colored pencils and paper on tables at the back of the classroom will be used by students to draft the piping throughout their own homes.

Graham, a full-time math teacher in the Virginia State Prison System, says that he's having a good time so far at the jamboree. "I think this will probably be one of the best deployments we've ever had," said Graham.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Pat Johnston

Staff Sgt. Bill Graham, 203rd Red Horse Flight Utilities Plumbing Section, Virginia Beach, encourages Pittsburgh Boy Scouts to take his plumbing merit badge.

After three hours of classroom instruction, Scouts move to the second tent manned by Senior Airman Gregory Watts and Austin, both of Virginia Beach. Some of hands-on tasks include drain cleaning, faucet repair and replacement, pipe threading and pipe fitting, which includes explaining the differences between cutting and soldering steel and copper pipe.

Tasks like soldering requires extra safety precautions. There are protective gloves, two fire extinguishers instead of the regular one per tent and two instructors will only teach 15 boys at a time. That gives them plenty of individual attention according to Austin. As an extra precaution, Austin and a couple of his fellow instructors are living in the back of one of the tents to keep a constant eye on the gas soldering equipment.

"It's a 100 percent learning environment," said Austin. "That's the one reason why I accepted the mission to come out here because it's a very motivating thing. It teaches a lot to the kids." Austin, who had no previous scouting experience, is going to see if he can get an adventuring program started in Virginia Beach if they don't already have one.

Master Sgt. Steven C. Bunce is the plumbing batch manager on this mission. He oversaw his flight's participation from the planning to the execution. The guardsmen devised their own curriculum for the course according to the plumbing merit badge handbook requirements.

All of the 203rd Red Horse's work in planning, packing and setting up gives Boy Scouts at this year's jamboree an exciting opportunity to earn a merit badge that gives them very practical skills.

Jim Radcliff, a merit-badge coordinator from Spring, Texas, said this about the plumbing merit badge course. "I'm really excited about the Air Force's efforts to set up such a challenge for boys that will be useful for them at home."

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By Spc. Mark S. Rickert

372d Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

A soldier has sustained a serious injury. His condition requires immediate treatment that is only offered at an off-post facility.

You and a handful of others strap the patient onto a gurney and rush him to a Huey perched on a nearby landing pad. Shouts and a rising dust cloud from the propellers fill the air as you try to remain cool. Time is critical. Safety is a must. This is the moment of truth where physical training and all those training exercises to which you never paid much attention come into play. There is no room for error.

And you ask yourself: "Am I prepared?"
Though only a case scenario, the reality of it may be why Sunday's medical evacuation training carried a demeanor of importance that underlined an otherwise relaxed training exercise.

Soldiers of the 28th Combat Support Hospital gathered on a landing pad Sunday for a routine training exercise.

The exercise covered loading and unloading casualties from the helicopter and is administered to all the soldiers of the CSH.

Sgt. T.J. Galat, a flight medic with the 121st Medical Brigade, conducted Sunday's training course. Galat, who teaches in his civilian career, expressed his enthusiasm toward the classes.

"I enjoy my job so much that I enjoy teaching people about my job," said Galat. "I'm also a civil instructor.

So, I like to pass out knowledge and spread awareness."

According to Galat, the training classes will be conducted for the next two weeks. And with the Scouts on the seen, the soldiers want to be ready for anything.

"It's great training.
Patient safety is our
primary concern as well as
effectively carrying out
missions," said Maj.
Sophia A. Ortiz, chief
nurse with the 28th CSH.

Training for medical evacuations includes getting the patient safely

placed into the helicopter and safely removed.

"We practice getting in and out of the bird. The safety is for the patient and the soldier," said 2nd Lt. Robert Cox, preventive medical officer with the 28th CSH. "This is hip pocket training, very informal. But, we have to have continuous refresher courses for safety



By Spc. Mark S. Rickert

Sgt. T.J. Galat explains the correct way to loading a casualty into the helicoptor.

procedures. The hospital here has limited capabilities," said Cox. "Medevac is designed to get that patient to a hospital."

Strength, agility and coordination are traits expected from all soldiers. The medical field is no exception.

"We as soldiers need balance and strength. We have to think about our lifting capabilities," said Ortiz. "A soldier should be able to lift about 160 pounds. That's where all that good PT pays off. Our job demands good upper body strength—something we all need improvement on, but

that's what we're here for," said Ortiz.

The evacuation training is not only for paramedics. The training pertains to anyone working within the CSH.

"Although we're technicians, we still take care the patients," said Spc. Amanda D. Pickens, medic repair technician, with the 28th CSH. "This part of the job prepares us for mass casualties. Most people here are medics and get this kind of training at school. I didn't. I need this training."

Though the soldiers hope the training will not have to be implemented toward the jamboree, the troops will be ready

"If we bring Scouts to A.P. Hill, we have to know how to help them," said Ortiz. "That's why this training is important and a good refresher."

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Officer takes flying to a different level

By Spc. Elizabeth Casebeer 314th Press Camp Headquarters

Look up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! No, it's a balloon!

The 85-foot hot air balloon you probably saw at the arena show and elsewhere around post has been privately owned and operated by Maj. Kevin N. Knapp and his company, Airborne AD-VENTURES, since

"Everyone in the military has his or her special talent. I just share the Army story a bit louder than most," laughed the former Green Beret.

Knapp's balloon is used to represent ballooning as a sport, while at the same time promoting Army awareness throughout the nation.

Even though Knapp loves manning a giant balloon, he is also the Joint Personnel/ Deputy, Administration of Headquarters, Joint Forces Command in Norfolk, Va.

Knapp said he prides himself on being a trained leader who teaches youth to set goals to share the possibility of flight.

Since Scouts are not permitted to ride on any airborne aircraft for safety reasons, Knapp, an Eagle Scout, makes sure they are taught teamwork as well as different crew positions. When he has passengers, Knapp usually carries two passengers as opposed to the maximum number of four.

"This way, it's easier to manage for me, and there is less wear and tear on it [the balloon]," said Knapp.

Knapp's hot air balloon weighs 1.5 tons when fully aired with propane gas. The gas burners, which put out 15 million British Thermal Units (Btu), keep Knapp at the altitude he wants. Knapp says he can heat six blocks of homes on a single flight. Even though the price of gasoline is as high as a balloon can fly, Knapp said propane is about \$1.50 a gallon.

Knapp doesn't just show his balloon at Scout Jamborees.

For example, the balloon floated in front of the St. Louis Arch at the Army Reserve Personnel Command's inaugural "Army Arch Run," a half-marathon, May 20, 2000. For the 1994 Army Ten Miler, Knapp's balloon was tethered over the Pentagon, facing the Jefferson Memorial.

"I was very fortunate because the weather was agreeable," he said. In fact, four of Knapp's events were "weathered out," as he calls it. But instead of becoming discouraged, Knapp puts the balloon on a static display for all to admire.

To check to see if the weather is good, Knapp checks the National Weather Service, the weather channel and/or the Internet for forecasts.

Even if the weather is picture-perfect, however, Knapp doesn't just go outside. Normally, he will not fly out in the middle of the day because the sun heats up any unstable air. This causes the balloon to get caught in a thermal at 14,000 feet, which is a dangerous height for a balloon to fly.

With good luck, Knapp and his balloon will continue to delight generations for years to come.



Photo by Sgt. Eric Barker

Spc. Elizabeth Casebeer and Capt. Holly Meeker, both with the Task Force Public Affairs Office, help Maj. Kevin Knapp break down his parachute for the next activity.

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Guard: From the front page -

"I had been playing drums for 12 years prior to joining the Army. I went and saw performances by the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps and thought the shows were very impressive. I was able to pass the musical audition, join the Army and become a member after completing six months of training in drill, ceremony, and musicianship," said Kuldell. "What I would like scouts to take away from the performance is a sense of the pride and the self-discipline that is displayed," he said.

The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps is comprised of 70 members, which includes a drum major, drummers, fifes and buglers. It is commanded by a Warrant Officer and has a Sgt. Major and two corps sergeants. Every member in each section is expected to be rehearsed and ready before each performance, said Smith. As Drum Major I expect them to 'execute their steps to perfection.'"

The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps expects to give approximately 500 hundred performances this year.

Discipline and pride in history and tradition. Those are the qualities displayed by the members of the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps. Qualities they hope will influence and further the development of the Boys Scouts and other attendees of the 2001 National Scout Jamboree.

Retired MP volunteers for jamboree

By Spc. Briana G. Wright 319th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

Going above and beyond the call of duty is an act that is the hallmark of both the Army and the Boy Scouts of America.

Maggie Michels, a retired Army military police officer and mother of a former Boy Scout, knows what it means to do just that.

Michels, a Gulf War veteran, retired after 20 years from the 463rd Military Police Company at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. She has served in Cuba, Bosnia, Kosovo, and Desert Storm where she assisted with refugee camps and other peacekeeping missions.

"There's a lot of civil strife there, so those are real rewarding experiences for us,"

Michels is now a volunteer instructor at the Boy Scouts of America Merit Badge Midway. There she is the subject matter expert at the fingerprinting booth.

Sgt. Todd H. Angel with the 463rd, was pleasantly surprised when he found out that he would be working with Michels here at the jamboree.

"She was in our platoon and we worked for a demanding leader. So if she could work for that [leader] and succeed then she was definitely meeting the mark," he said. After retiring in 1995, Michels began working for the Department of Justice where she continued serving her country as well as others.

She and other law enforcement officers from across the United States taught at the Haitian National Police Academy at Fort Leonard wood and then sent to Haiti to teach their civilians how to be law enforcement officers.

"There was a lot of issues with food shortages, civil strife and poverty there, so they had us help them set up their law enforcement



Photo by Spc. Briana G. Wright

Retired Staff Sgt. Maggie Michels instructs a Boy Scout at the fingerprinting booth on Merit Badge Midway.

command," Michels said.

The Scouts will be learning about the different types of fingerprint patterns and their use for identification purposes, Michels said.

She feels a sense of obligation to her country and to the Boy Scouts of America because of the values that they both instill in so many people. Raising her right hand as if giving an oath, she compares her experience here to being in the Army.

Containerized kitchen makes cooking easy

Spc. LaTorry D. Sidney 300th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

Along with time, there comes change. Cars get newer in model, computers get upgrades, and even household appliances evolve to better fit the needs of their users. Therefore, it's only fitting that soon the way the Army feeds its soldiers will be no different.

Thanks to the Army's containerized kitchen, which is now on display at the Army Adventure Area here, service for both the soldiers who prepare food and the soldiers who consume it will be a lot more expedient.

"The equipment on this unit is more modern," said Staff Sgt. Cynthia M. Jackson, a food service instructor with the Army Center of Excellence and Subsistence (ACES), Fort Lee, Va.

"The unit is self-contained, meaning it collapses and can be compacted (into an eight foot tall, eight foot wide, and twenty foot long space) when closed," explained Jackson. "It occupies a maximum of 390 square feet when expanded to its full operational mode."

According to Staff Sgt. Robert D. Grundy, a food service instructor, also the ACES, the amount of space the unit takes up is larger than that of the current mobile kitchen trailers, but what the new unit lacks is space-efficiency, it makes up for in overall effectiveness.

Among the new amenities included in the containerized kitchen are two full-sized refrigerators (to replace ice trays in the current MKTs), an interior hand washing station (which replaces the outdoor stations), and even an air conditioning and heating unit to enhance the working conditions of food specialists. A 10-kilowatt generator located inside the trailer powers the entire unit. As far as production goes, the containerized kitchen speaks for itself.

"With the old MKTs we can feed up to 800 soldiers in about an hour and a half."

According to Jackson, Scouts who visit the display will be treated to a presentation of the different food that are served from the MKT which vary from meals-ready-to-eat (MREs) to unitized group rations (UGRs). Afterward, Scouts can walk through the unit and even gather information about the military occupational specialty (MOS) required to work in an MKT and the benefits of doing so, which is food service specialist (92G).

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New Landwarrior system on display

By Spc. Todd Edwards

372nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

An infantry squad moves within sight of their objective. Crawling through the brush on armored knee and elbow pads, the point man verifies where he is with a global positioning system on his hip. He snaps a digital photo of the supply building and emails it to his headquarters a thousand miles away. Interfacing with a Windows-based operating system, he switches his optics over to thermo-imaging and a laser range finder to determine what the condition of the building is and what its distance is. Dead-reckoning systems determine the azimuth to the building, and give the soldier a 10-digit grid coordinate of its location. He waits. Trying to stay as still as possible, even though insects have begun to crawl into his clothing, and sweat pours down his back. He sips water off the integrated water compartment on his back as he checks the headings and positions of the other members of his squad on the prismatic display near his eye. Everyone is in position. All is well.

Suddenly, the e-mail message alert flashes, scrolling through the menus, the soldier's heart begins to thud against the armor plate on his chest. As he scans the message from headquarters, he opens the "artillery strike" window and drags the

building's grid into the box. A moment later, another e-mail alert tells him the shells are on the way.

This may seem like the beginning of a sci-fi tale, spun from the mind of a dreamer, but the reality of it has come to the National Scout Jamboree. The Landwarrior system is the one described above, and examples will be demonstrated by walking displays interacting with the Scouts at the Army Adventure Area here.

While giving displays all over the country, the demonstrators for this system know that it is a potent recruiting tool, especially in the presence of Scouts, said Spc. Christopher N. Bashaw, a Training and Doctrine Command system manager-soldier displaying the system.

"Statistically, these kids are the ones who will be coming into the Army," said Bashaw. "This is one big recruiting tool."

Showing the Scouts a taste of the future, where lethality and survivability of troops in the field has been revolutionized by high technology, is a method of displaying the wares of the Army of the future, said Bashaw. Demonstrators will be taking part in Scout activities throughout the jamboree, talking to Scouts and answering questions, he said.

There will also be static displays set up near the ROTC tower for people to view.



Photo by Spc. Todd Edwards

Spc. William D. Boyle, a Training and Doctrine Command systems managersoldier, presents the Landwarrior system, an integrated system of body armor, computers, navigation, optics and weapons

Get her!



Photo by Jeffrey S. Keown
Capt. Holly K. Meeker, public affairs
officer for the 372nd Mobile Public
Affairs Detachment, takes one in the
arm from officer Bony, a K9 MP.

BPAD soldiers make noise

By Spc. Yves-Marie Casimir

210th Mobile Public Affairs Department

It's truly amazing how Alabama police dispatcher and Army Reserve disc jockey, Sgt. Bob Price of the 209th Broadcast Public Affairs Detachment, delivers information to the listeners of his afternoon radio show.

His enthusiasm is reflected in the up-tempo selections he plays for his audience.

After serving 16 years with the Army in various capacities, Price became involved with broadcasting last year. "I like listening to the music," he said.

So do the many listeners that gather outside of the 100.7 FM campsite. There you'll usually find several interested Scouts dancing along to the music, making requests for their favorite songs, and just having an overall good time.

"They're here to listen to the radio and have fun. I'm here to work and have a little bit of fun too," said Spc. Adam J. Daley with the 209th BPAD.

Taking two weeks away from their civilian lives has turned into a fulfilling mission for the broadcasters from the 209th. "I think it's important to have fun, even if you're doing something serious. You can complete a serious (mission) and have fun doing it," said Sgt. Christopher K. Parker.

One of the more interesting things about U.S. Army reservists is their diversity in backgrounds and careers.

"The mission here at the National Scout Jamboree is to provide information and entertainment to the soldiers and scouts," said Staff Sgt. Kevin D. Butler.

Listeners of Fort A.P. Hill's 100.7 FM radio station can expect to hear four new voices from the Army Reserve 209th BPAD. The Rome, Ga. based broadcasters Daley, Price, Stallings and Parker arrived July 20 and will work as disc jockeys during their two weeks of annual training.